

December 15, 2011

## CONDITIONAL APPROVAL

Mayor Michael A. Pavia City of Stamford Office of the Mayor Stamford Government Center 888 Washington Boulevard P.O. Box 10152 Stamford, CT 06904-2152

RE:

Scofieldtown Landfill, Stamford - Closure Project

Consent Order Number SRD-205

## Dear Mayor Pavia:

The Remediation Division of the Bureau of Water Protection and Land Reuse (the "Department") has reviewed the plan titled "Landfill Closure Plan for Scofieldtown Park, Stamford, CT," dated March 2011 (the "Closure Plan") and the City of Stamford's responses to the public comments (the "Public Comments and Responses") presented in an attachment to email dated September 30, 2011, from Louis Casolo of the City of Stamford, to Amanda Flad of this Division. The public comment period was held from July 1, 2011 to August 14, 2011. Also, on July 17, 2011, the City hosted a public information meeting for the Closure Plan. The Closure Plan and Public Comments and Responses were prepared for the City of Stamford by its environmental consultant TRC Environmental Corporation. The Closure Plan was submitted pursuant to Section B, Number 2 of Consent Order SRD-205. The Closure Plan and Public Comments and Responses are available for public review from the City of Stamford webpage at <a href="http://www.cityofstamford.org/content/25/52/138/164/115039/default.aspx.">http://www.cityofstamford.org/content/25/52/138/164/115039/default.aspx.</a>

The Closure Plan includes and proposes an off-site impact evaluation, leachate seep investigation, landfill closure plan, and surface water and groundwater monitoring program for Scofieldtown Park landfill. In regard to the City's response to comment #6 of the Public Comments and Responses, which suggests that neighborhood residential wells be included in the monitoring process, the Department notes that in Section 3.8, Task 8 of the Closure Plan, if a condition is found to exist that represents a threat to off-site receptors, the City will notify CTDEEP and corrective action will be taken.

The above referenced Closure Plan and Public Comments and Responses are hereby approved contingent upon the following conditions:

1. An updated version of the schedule presented in the Closure Plan, in Section 1-3, Table 1, shall be submitted within 30 days of the date of this letter for the Commissioner's review and written

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approval. Such a schedule shall identify both start and end dates for the proposed activities. The City shall implement the immediate impact evaluation in accordance with such schedule without waiting for the Department's approval.

2. Landfill disruption/closure construction activities shall not commence until the City has submitted, and the Commissioner has approved in writing, the following documents: final design drawings and details including incorporation of any design modifications, if needed, to address conditions identified during the immediate impact evaluation and monitoring; final design and construction bid specifications; a quality assurance plan (QAP) and the identity of the quality assurance consultant (QAC) selected to oversee this project.

Nothing in this approval shall affect the Commissioner's authority to institute any proceeding, or take any action to prevent or abate pollution, to recover costs and natural resource damages, and to impose penalties for violations of law. If at any time the Commissioner determines that the approved actions have not fully characterized the extent and degree of pollution or have not successfully abated or prevented pollution, the Commissioner may institute any proceeding, or take any action to require further investigation or further action to prevent or abate pollution. This approval relates only to pollution or contamination identified in the above referenced Closure Plan.

In addition, nothing in this approval shall relieve any person of his or her obligations under applicable federal, state and local law.

If you have any questions pertaining to this matter prior to January 12, 2012, please contact Peter Hill of my staff at (860) 424-3912, after January 12, 2012 please contact Amanda Flad of my staff at (860) 424-3351.

Sincerely

Patrick F. Bowe

Director

Remediation Division

Bureau of Water Protection and Land Reuse

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